

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the paragraph (Abstract) beginning at page 30, line 1 with the following rewritten version:

ABSTRACT

An ~~The present invention provides an~~ air conditioner and a method for controlling an air conditioner are provided for controlling whereby the direction in which conditioned air is discharged during powerful operation ~~can be controlled~~. The air conditioner (1) is provided with a control unit (60). The control unit (60) is connected, among other things, to a compressor (21), a four-way switching valve (22), a pressure-reducing device, a remote control, (25), ~~ROM (41), RAM (42)~~, a fan motor (13), a flap motor (146), a temperature sensor (43), and an infrared sensor (44). The control unit (60) controls the compressor (21), the four-way switching valve (22), the pressure-reducing device (25), the fan motor (13), and the flap motor (146). When a command for powerful operation is entered from the remote control (40), the control unit (60) temporarily increases the rotational speed of the cross-flow fan (12), the operating frequency of the compressor (21), and the like, enhances the air conditioning capacity, and controls the direction of the horizontal flap (144) according to the direction in which people are present in the room.